

REPORT
OF THE
SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,
SHOWING THE
MONEYS IN THE HANDS
OF
THOMAS A. SMITH,
RECEIVER OF PUBLIC MONEYS, AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI;
AND
AMOUNTS OF DEPOSITES,
AND
INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO HIM ON THE SUBJECT.

APRIL 3, 1828.

Read, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary—April 29, report made—
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

April 2, 1828.

SIR: In obedience to a resolution of the Senate, of the 14th ultimo, "instructing the Secretary of the Treasury to lay before the Senate, a statement showing the respective amounts of public moneys in the hands of Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, Missouri, at the end of each quarter of the year 1824, 1825, 1826, and 1827; at what time those respective amounts were received, and the respective deposits, payments of drafts, or other payments made by him during those years, with the dates of such deposits and payments respectively; together with copies of such instructions as may have been given, from time to time, to said Receiver, relative to said moneys, or any part thereof;" I have the honor to submit a communication of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and documents numbered from 1 to 49, inclusive, and marked A, B, C, D, E, and F. Documents, numbered from 1 to 49, have been furnished by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and consist of the monthly accounts current for the years 1824, 1825, 1826, and 1827; and a letter addressed to him by the Receiver, relative to the moneys in his hands. Documents marked A, B, C, D, and E, are the instructions given by this Department for the deposit of the public money; and that marked F, is an abstract of letters directing him to purchase drafts upon the Treasurer.

I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

RICHARD RUSH.

The Honorable,

The PRESIDENT of the Senate.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,

March 21, 1828.

SIR: In compliance with a resolution of the Senate, dated the 14th instant, I enclose to you copies of the monthly accounts current rendered by Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys, at Franklin, in Missouri, for the years 1824, 1825, 1826, and 1827; which exhibit the amount of money on hand, at the termination of each quarter of the years above-mentioned; the time that those amounts were respectively received; and the time that deposits, payments of drafts, and other payments, were made by him, during those years.

I also enclose an extract from a letter addressed to me by General Smith, assigning the cause of his being in advance for the Government at the termination of the last quarter of 1827.

It may be proper to add, that the returns required by law, to be made by the Receivers of Public Money to this Office, have been rendered with accuracy and punctuality by General Smith.

All instructions relative to deposits and the purchase of drafts, are issued immediately from your office.

With great respect, your obedient servant,

GEORGE GRAHAM.

Hon. RICHARD RUSH,

Secretary of the Treasury.

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
January, 1824.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1824.			1824.		
Jan. 31	To amount remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return	\$68,616 22	Jan. 1	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return	\$59,112 81
			" 31	By amount received from individuals for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820	705 18
			" "	By amount received from individuals for lands sold during the month	8,798 03
		\$68,616 22			\$68,616 22

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Receiver's Office, January 31, 1824.

T. A. SMITH, Receiver.

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
February, 1824.*

DR.				CR.	
1824.			1824.		
Feb. 29	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next month- ly return - - -	\$71,581 05	Jan. 31	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return -	\$ 68,616 02
			Feb. 29	By amount received from indivi- duals for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820 - - -	265 06
			" "	By amount received from indivi- duals, for lands sold during the month - - -	2,699 97
		\$71,581 05			\$71,581 05

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Receiver's Office, February 29, 1824.

T. A. SMITH, Receiver.

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
March, 1824.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1824.			1824.		
March 31	To amount over-credited in the month of Jan. in receipt No. 704	\$ 95	March 1	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return	\$71,581 05
	To amount of Register's salary and commission, for the quarter ending this day	269 91	" 31	By amount received from individuals for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820	906 25
	To amount of his incidental expenses for the same period, per voucher No. 1	2 44		By amount received from individuals for lands sold during the present month	1,117 30
	To amount of my own salary and commission, for the same period, No. 1	129 29			
	To amount of incidental expenses of this Office, for the same period, per vouchers No. 2 and 3	27 00			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return	73,175 01			
		<u>\$73,604 60</u>			<u>\$73,604 60</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, March 31, 1824.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
April, 1824.

DR.			CR.		
1824.			1824.		
April 30	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next month- ly return - - - -	\$75,780 80	April 1	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return -	\$73,175 01
			" 30	By amount received from indivi- duals for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820 - - - -	844 90
			" "	By amount received from indivi- duals for lands sold during the present month - - - -	1,760 89
		\$75,780 80			\$75,780 80

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, April 30, 1824.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
May, 1824.*

Dr.		Cr.	
1824.		1824.	
May 31.	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2150, dated 29th April, 1824, in favor of Major Thomas Biddle, P. M. - - - \$20,000 00	May 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, - \$75,770 80
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return, - - - 57,471 43	31.	By amount received from indi- viduals for lands sold during the present month, - - 1,690 63
	\$77,471 43		\$77,471 43

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, May 31, 1824.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
June, 1824.*

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Dr.		June, 1824.		Cr	
1824. June 30.	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2168, in favor of Doct. Hardage Lane, dated 13th May, 1824, - - - - -	\$ 38 25	1824. June 1. 30.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, -	\$57,471 43
	To amount of Register's salary and commission, for the quar- ter ending this day, per his re- ceipt No. 1, - - - - -	172 29		By amount received from indi- viduals for lands sold during the present month, - - -	432 64
	To amount of my own salary and commission for the same period, - - - - -	330 47			
	To amount of Register's inci- dental expenses for same pe- riod, No. 1, - - - - -	8 38			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return, - - - - -	57,354 68			
		<u>\$57,904 07</u>			<u>\$57,904 07</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, June 30, 1824.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
July, 1824.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1824.			1824.		
July 31.	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2004, in favor of Lieut. W. W. Morris, dated 9th January, 1824, - - -	\$144 00	July 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, -	\$57,354 68
	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2255, in favor of Dr. Har- dage Lane, dated 23d June, 1824, - - -	\$361 25		By amount received from indi- viduals for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - -	274 52
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the U. States in my next monthly return, - - -	\$58,061 27		By amount received from indi- viduals for lands sold during the present month, - -	937 32
		<u>\$58,566 52</u>			<u>\$58,566 52</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, July 31, 1824.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
August, 1824.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1824.			1824.		
Aug. 31.	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2304, in favor of Maj. Thomas Biddle, P. M., dated July 20, 1824, - - -	\$16,000 00	Aug. 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return, - - -	\$58,061 27
	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2306, in favor of Capt. J. B. Brant, A. Q. M., dated July 23d, 1824, - - -	4,000 00	31.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - -	211 93
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the U. States, in my next monthly return, - - -	39,802 85		By amount received for lands sold during the present month,	1,529 65
		\$59,802 85			\$59,802 85

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MO., *Receiver's Office, September 1, 1824.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
September, 1824.

CR.

DR.

1824. Sept. 30.		\$ 3,000 00	1824. Sept. 1.		\$39,794 05
	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2226, dated June 7, 1824, in favor of Capt. J. B. Brant, A. Q. M. - - -	\$ 3,000 00	" 30.	By amount remaining on hand, per last return - - -	\$39,794 05
	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2331, dated Aug 10, 1824, in favor of Major Thomas Bidle, Agent Paying Pensions, -	2,062 74		By amount received from individuals for lands sold prior to the 1st July, 1820, - - -	248 02
	To Do do No. 2339, dated Aug. 10, 1824, in favor of Lieutenant J. B. Clark, A. C. -	5,000 00		By amount received from individuals for lands sold during the present month - - -	500 00
	To amount of Register's salary and commission for the quarter ending this day - - -	161 93			
	To amount of my salary and commission for same period - -	436 63			
	To amount remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return - - -	29,880 77			
		\$40,542 07			\$40,542 07

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. Receiver's Office, September 30, 1824.

T. A. SMITH, Receiver.

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MO. *Receiver's Office, November 1, 1824.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
November, 1824.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1824.			1824.		
Nov. 30.	To this sum paid W. Clark, Acting Surveyor, per letter of credit from Secretary of the Treasury, dated October 22d, 1824. Bills of Exchange for same, forwarded to Treasury Department, - - -	\$16,000 00	Nov. 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, -	\$23,023 95
	To amount carried to the credit of United States in my next monthly return, - - -	16,751 13	" 30.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - -	406 94
			" "	By amount received from individuals for lands sold during the present month, - -	9,320 24
		<u>\$32,751 13</u>			<u>\$32,751 13</u>

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Note.—\$5,760 of the amount, in Lewis and Clark warrants.

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo., Receiver's Office, December 1, 1824.

THOMAS A. SMITH, Receiver.

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*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
December, 1824.*

DR.

C_R.

1824. Dec. 31.	To amount of repayment to Josiah Gumlen, per his receipt No. 16, dated - - - - -	\$ 305 60	1824. Dec. 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, - - - - -	\$16,751 13
	To amount of warrant, No. 2, in favor of Wm. Clark, - - - - -	3,200 00		By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - - - -	1,517 90
	Do. Do. No. 4, in favor of Nathaniel Pryor, one of Lewis and Clark's companions, - - - - -	640 00		By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month, - - - - -	4,247 33
	Do. Do. No. 9, in favor of John Coulter, Do. - - - - -	640 00			
	Do. Do. No. 18, in favor of Francis Labrache, one of Lewis and Clark's companions, - - - - -	640 00			
	Do. Do. No. 28, in favor of Alexander Willard, one of Lewis and Clark's companions, - - - - -	640 00			
	To amount of Register's salary and commission, for the quarter ending this day, - - - - -	405 59			
	To amount of my salary and commission for same period, - - - - -	552 80			
	To amount paid Register for superintending public sales, commenced 4th Monday in October last, - - - - -	70 00			
	To amount of my allowance for same, - - - - -	65 00			
	To amount of Register's incidental expenses, - - - - -	26 99			
	To amount of sundry incidental expenses, per vouchers No. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, - - - - -	174 75			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of United States in my next monthly return, - - - - -	15,155 63			
		<u>\$22,516 36</u>			<u>\$22,516 36</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, January 1, 1825.*
THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
January, 1825.*

Dr.

Cr.

1825. Jan. 31.	To amount of deposite in Bank of State of Tennessee, (certificate of deposite forwarded from Bank,) - - - - -	\$1,600 00	1825. Jan. 1. " 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, - -	\$15,155 63
	To amount of Treasurer's draft No. 2526, dated December 28, 1824, in favor of Dr. H. Lane,	60 50		By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - - - -	1,265 18
	To Do. do No. 2256, dated June 23, 1824, in favor of Lieut. J. Rogers, - - - - -	56 00		By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold during the present month, - - - - -	3,111 97
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of the U. States in my next monthly re- turn, - - - - -	17,816 28			
		<u>\$19,532 78</u>			<u>\$19,532 78</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MO. *Receiver's Office, February 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
February, 1825.*

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Dr.			Cr.		
1825.			1825.		
Feb. 28.	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2542, in favor of W. Clark, Surveyor of Public Lands, dated January 5, 1825, - - - -	\$6,000 00	Feb. 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, - - -	\$17,816 28
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of the U. States in my next monthly re- turn, - - - - -	14,701 47	" 28.	By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - - - -	1,583 90
		<u>\$20,701 47</u>		By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold during the present month, - - - - -	1,301 29
					<u>\$20,701 47</u>

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office, March 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
March 31, 1825.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1825.			1825.		
March 31.	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2497, in favor of Lieut. R. Holmes, dated November 17, 1824, - - -	\$100 50	March 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, - - -	\$14,701 47
	To do. do., No. 2587, in favor of Dr. H. Lane, dated Feb. 12, 1825, - -	89 50	31.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - -	5,931 57
	To do. do., No. 2610, in favor of Capt. A. Wetmore, dated March 3, 1825, - -	6000 00		By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month, - -	1,544 72
	To amount of Register's salary and commission for the quarter ending this day, - - -	272 06			
	To amount of my salary and commission for same time - - -	270 49			
	To amount of Register's incidental expenses - - -	39 82			
	To amount of incidental expenses, per voucher No. 2 and 3, - - -	61 13			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of the United States in my next monthly return, - - -	15,344 26			
		<u>\$22,177 76</u>			<u>\$22,177 76</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo., *Receiver's Office, April 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
April, 1825.

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Dr.			Cr.		
1825.			1825.		
April 30.	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2649, in favor of General Wm. Clark, Superintendent of Indian Affairs, dated March 26, 1825, - - -	\$1,500 00	April 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, -	\$15,344 26
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of United States in my next monthly re- turn, - - -	19,782 57	30.	By amount received from indi- viduals for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - -	3,661 71
				By amount received from indi- viduals for land sold during the present month, - -	2,276 60
		\$21,282 57			\$21,282 57

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MO., *Receiver's Office, May 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
May, 1825.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1825.			1825.		
May 31.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by Gen. William Clark, Sup't Indian Affairs, on Treas- urer United States - -	\$2,748 00	May 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return -	\$19,782 57
	To do do drawn by Capt. J. B. Brant, A. Q. M. on Treas- urer United States - -	3,000 00	" 31.	By amount received from individ- uals for lands sold during the present month - - -	616 30
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of United States in next monthly return	14,650 87			
		<u>\$20,398 87</u>			<u>\$20,398 87</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office, June 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
June, 1825.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1825. June 30.	To amount of Register's salary and commission for the quarter ending this day - - -	\$211 87	1825. June 1.	By balance remaining on hand, as per last monthly return -	\$14,650 87
	To amount of my salary and commission for same period - - -	202 63	30.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820 - - - - -	73 20
	To amount of Register's incidental expenses - - - - -	46 45		Amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month - - - - -	2,058 85
	To amount of incidental expenses, voucher 2, - - - - -	54 94			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of U. S. in my next monthly return - - - - -	16,267 03			
		<u>\$16,782 92</u>			<u>\$16,782 92</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, July 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
July, 1825.*

DR.			CR.		
1825.			1825.		
July 31	To amount of bill of exchange, drawn by Lieut. M. Thomas -	\$ 100 00	July 1	By balance remaining on hand, per last return -	\$16,267 03
	To amount of deposite in Branch Bank at Washington, (certifi- cate of deposite furnished from Bank) - - -	1,000 00	" 31	By amount received from indivi- duals for lands sold during the present month - -	1,428 55
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of United States in next return - -	16,595 58			
		<u>\$ 17,695 58</u>			<u>\$17,695 58</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office, August 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
August, 1825.*

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Dr.					
1825.			1825.		
August 31	To amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2481, dated Nov. 9, 1824, in favor of Lieut. S. Wragg -	\$ 112 75	August 1	By balance remaining on hand, per last return - - -	\$16,595 58
	To do. do. No. 2482, dated Nov. 9, 1824, in favor of Capt. B. Reily - - -	86 00	" 31	By amount received from indivi- duals for lands sold during the present month - - -	1,075 00
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of United States in next return - -	17,471 83			
		<u>\$ 17,670 58</u>			<u>\$17,670 58</u>

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, September 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
September, 1825.*

DR.			CR.		
1825.			1825.		
Sept. 30	To amount of Register's salary and commission for the quarter ending this day - - -	\$ 171 05	Sept. 1	By balance remaining on hand, per last return - -	\$17,471 83
	To my salary and commission for same period - - -	141 40	" 30	By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month - -	2,101 46
	To Register's incidental expenses - - -	4 50			
	To incidental expenses, per voucher No. 2 - - -	24 00			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in next return -	19,232 34			
		<u>\$19,573 29</u>			<u>\$19,573 29</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, October 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
October, 1825.

Dr.			Cr.		
1825.			1825.		
Oct. 31	To bill of exchange, drawn by Wm. M'Kee, Surveyor General To Treasurer's draft, No. 2247, in favor of Lieut. Z C. Palmer, dated 17th June, 1824 -	\$8,000 00 12 00	Sept. 30	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return -	\$19,232 34
	To do. do. No. 2583, in favor of Lieut. Sam. Wragg, dated Feb. 3, 1825 -	16 00	Oct. 31	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820 -	121 01
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of the United States in next return -	18,296 96		By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month -	6,971 61
		<u>\$26,324 96</u>			<u>\$26,324 96</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, November 1, 1825.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
November, 1825.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1825.			1825.		
Nov. 30.	To bill of exchange drawn by Gen. Wm. Clark, Superintendent of Indian Affairs, on the Treasurer of the United States, To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next re- turn, - - - -	\$8,000 00 17,547 5	Oct. 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return, - -	\$18,296 96
			Nov. 30.	By amount received from indi- viduals for land sold prior to the 1st of July, 1820, -	42 68
				By amount received from indi- viduals for land sold during the present month, - - -	7,207 87
		\$25,547 51			\$25,547 51

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, December 1, 1825.*

THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
December, 1825.*

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CR.

DR.

1825.			1825.		
Dec. 31.	To Cash, as follows, viz:		Nov. 30.	By balance remaining on hand,	
	H. Lane, for bill of exchange, for	\$102 00		per last return, - -	\$17,547 51
	Z. C. Palmer, do. do.	51 00	Dec. 31.	By amount received from individuals, for lands sold prior to 1st	
	Do. do. do.	8 00		July, 1820, - - -	110 33
	Do. do. do.	8 00		By amount received from individuals, for lands sold during the	
	B. Riley, for Treasurer's draft			month, - - -	5,940 16
	No. 2665, dated April 5, 1825,	10 00			
	Register's salary and commission				
	for the quarter ending this day,	328 94			
	Receiver's salary and commission				
	for the same period, - -	291 63			
	Register's incidental expenses,	1 75			
	Balance remaining on hand, and				
	carried to the credit of the U. S.				
	in my next monthly return,	22,796 68			
		\$23,598 00			\$23,598 00

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, December 31st, 1825.*

THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
January, 1826.*

CR.

DR.

1826.

Balance remaining on hand,
and carried to the credit of the
United States in my next
monthly return,

\$25,704 92

\$25,704 92

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1826.

January 31

By balance remaining on hand,
per last return,

\$22,796 68

By amount received for lands
sold during the present month,

2,908 24

\$25,704 92

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, January 31, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

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*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
February, 1826.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1826.			1826.		
Feb. 28.	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return,	\$29,096 86	Jan. 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per my last return,	\$25,704 92
			Feb. 28.	By amount received from indi- viduals for lands sold during the present month,	3,391 94
		\$29,096 86			\$29,096 86

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, February 28, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
March, 1826.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1826.			1826.		
March 31.	To cash as follows:		Feb. 28.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return - - -	\$29,096 86
	Amount of bill of exchange, drawn by Z. C. Palmer, on Treasurer United States - - -	\$1,000 00	March 31.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to the 1st July, 1820 - - -	73 65
	Amount of exchange drawn by John P. Banman, on Treasurer United States - - -	132 09		By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month - - -	2,418 37
	Amount of Treasurer's draft, No. 2655, in favor of Colonel Josiah Snelling - - -	300 00			
	Register's salary and commission for the quarter ending this day	212 92			
	Receiver's salary and commission for same period - - -	142 70			
	Balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next return -	29,801 17			
		<u>\$ 31,588 88</u>			<u>\$31,588 88</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, (Mo.) *Receiver's Office, March 31, 1826.*

HAMPTON L. BOON, *for the Receiver.*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
April, 1826.

Dr.				Cr.			
1826.				1826.			
April 30.	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return, - -	\$32,076 38		March 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per my last return - -	\$29,801 17	
				April 30.	By amount received from indi- viduals, for lands sold during the present month - -	2,275 21	
		<u>\$32,076 38</u>				<u>\$32,076 38</u>	

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, (Mo.) *Receiver's Office, April 30, 1826.*

HAMPTON L. BOON, *for the Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
May, 1826.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1826. May 31.	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next month- ly return, - - - -	\$33,397 65	1826. April 30. May 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return, - - - By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold during the present month, - - -	\$32,076 38 1,321 27 \$33,397 65
		\$33,397 65			

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, June 1, 1826.*

G. KNOX, Jr. *for T. A. SMITH, Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
June, 1826.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1826. June 30.	To amount paid Joel Johnson, Esq. per letter of Commissioner General Land Office, - - -	\$100 00	1826. June 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return, - - -	\$33,397 65
	To Register's salary, and commis- sion for the quarter ending this day, - - - - -	170 96	" 30.	By amount received from indi- viduals, for lands sold during the present month, - - -	1,000 00
	To Register's incidental expenses, To my salary and commission for same time, - - - -	15 94 129 16			
	To balance due the United States, and carried to credit in my next monthly return, - - -	33,981 59			
		<u>\$34,397 65</u>			<u>\$34,397 65</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, (Mo.) *Receiver's Office, July 1, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
July, 1826.*

DR.

CR.

1826.			1826.		
July 31.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by Capt. J. B. Clark, -	\$6,000 00	July 1.	By balance remaining on hand per last return, - - -	\$33,981 59
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next re- turn, - - - - -	30,387 11	" 31.	By amount received, for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, -	240 75
				By amount received for forfeit- ed lands redeemed, - - -	2 75
				By amount received from indi- viduals, for lands sold during the present month, - - -	2,162 02
		<u>\$36,387 11</u>			<u>\$36,387 11</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, (Mo.) *Receiver's Office, August 1, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
August, 1826.

Dr.

Cr.

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1826.			1826.		
Aug. 31.	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return, - - -	\$ 33,228 24	Aug. 1.	By amount remaining on hand, per last return, - - -	\$30,387 11
			" 31.	By amount received for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, -	51 25
				By amount received for land sold during the present month, -	2,789 88
		\$ 33,228 24			\$33,228 24

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, (Mo.) *Receiver's Office, September 1, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
September, 1826.

Dr.			Cr.		
1826.			1826.		
Sept. 30.	To Register's salary and commission for quarter ending this day,	\$210 87	Aug. 31.	By amount remaining on hand, per last monthly return, -	\$33,228 24
	To my salary and commission for the quarter ending this day,	221 13	Sept. 30.	By amount received from individuals for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820, -	274 24
	To incidental expenses, per vouchers Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5, -	3,182 12		By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month, -	3,033 20
	To amount paid J. Miller, late Register, commission on lands relinquished and discount allowed in 1821, 2, 3, 4, and 5, -	2,832 79		By this amount refunded by Register and Receiver, as charged in 2d and 4th quarters, 1822,	5,121 72
	To my commission on same	2,832 79			
	To my commission of 1 per cent. on \$1931, of above -	19 31			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of the U. States in my next return	32,358 39			
		<u>\$41,657 40</u>			<u>\$41,657 40</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office, October 1, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
October, 1826.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1826.			1826.		
Oct. 31.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by Capt. J. B. Brant, A. Q. M. - - -	\$4,000 00	Sept. 30.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return - -	\$32,358 39
	Todo. do. drawn by Lt. M. Thomas, Superintendent U. States Lead mines, - -	2,120 00	Oct. 31.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - -	391 90
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of U. S. in my next return, -	32,856 95		By amount received from individuals for lands sold during the present month, - -	6,226 66
		<u>\$38,976 95</u>			<u>\$38,976 95</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MO., *Receiver's Office, November 1, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
November, 1826.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1826.			1826.		
Nov. 30.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by Capt. Z. C. Palmer, To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the U. S. in my next return -	\$ 24 00 39,536 47 \$39,560 47	Oct. 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return - -	\$32,856 95
			Nov. 30.	By amount received from indi- viduals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - -	274 30
				By amount received from indivi- duals for land sold during the present month, - -	6,429 22
					\$39,560 47

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MO., *Receiver's Office, December 1, 1826.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
December, 1826.*

DR.			CR.		
1826.			1826.		
Dec. 31.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by Captain J. B. Brant,	\$10,000 00	Nov. 30.	By balance remaining on hand, as per last return,	\$39,536 47
	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by Captain A. Wetmore, P. M.	16,900 00	Dec. 31.	By amount received from individuals, for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820,	594 34
	To amount of Register's salary, and commission for the quarter ending this day,	311 72		By amount received from individuals, for lands sold during the present month,	4,756 47
	To amount of Register's incidental expenses,	5 75			
	To amount of my salary and commission, for the quarter ending this day,	463 21			
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the U. States in my next return,	17,206 60			
		<u>\$44,887 28</u>			<u>\$44,887 28</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, January 1, 1827.*

THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
January, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827. Jan. 31	To amount of bill of exchange, drawn by Captain J. B. Brant, A. Q. M. - - -	\$5,000 00	1826. Dec. 31. 1827. Jan. 31	By balance on hand, per last re- turn, - - - -	\$17,206 60
	To amount deposited in the Bank of the Metropolis, per Thomas T. Tucker's receipt, under date of 6th December, 1826, -	750 00	"	By amount received from indivi- duals, for land sold prior to the 1st July, 1820, - -	1,291 14
	To balance on hand, and carried to the credit of the U. States in my next return, - -	18,063 56		By amount received from indivi- duals for lands sold during the present month, - - -	5,315 85
		<u>\$23,813 56</u>			<u>\$23,813 56</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, January 31, 1827.*

THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
February, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827.			1827.		
Feb. 28.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by J. B. Brant, A.Q.M.	\$5,000 00	Jan. 31.	By balance on hand, per last return,	\$18,063 56
	To amount of T. T. Tucker's receipt, under date of January 29, 1827, - - -	150 00	Feb. 28.	By amount received from individuals, for lands sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - -	768 17
	To balance on hand, and carried to the credit of the U. States in my next return, - - -	16,985 04		By amount received from individuals, for land sold during the present month, - - -	3,303 31
		<u>\$22,135 04</u>			<u>\$22,135 04</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, August 6, 1827.*

THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
March, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827.			1827.		
March 31.	To amount of Register's salary and commission for the quarter ending this day - - -	\$279 55	April 30.	By balance on hand, per last return - - - - -	\$16,985 04
	To amount of Register's incidental expenses - - -	48 25	March 31.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820 - - - -	838 89
	To amount of my salary and commission, for the quarter ending this day - - -	239 70		By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month - - -	3,939 71
	To amount of my incidental expenses - - - - -	4 12			
	To balance remaining on hand, carried to the credit of the United States in my next return	21,192 02			
		<u>\$21,763 64</u>			<u>\$21,763 64</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office August 6, 1827.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
April, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827.			1827.		
April 30.	To amount of bill of exchange, drawn by Lieut. R. Holmes, A. C. S. - - - -	\$5,000 00	March 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return - - -	\$21,192 02
	To balance remaining on hand, carried to the credit of the U. S. in my next monthly re- turn - - - -	18,577 51	April 30.	By amount received from indivi- duals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820 - - - -	725 94
				By amount received from indivi- duals for land sold during the present month - - - -	1,659 55
		<u>\$23,577 51</u>			<u>\$23,577 51</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, (Mo.) *Receiver's Office, August 6, 1827.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
May, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827.			1827.		
May 31.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by J. B. Brant, A. Q. M.	\$10,000 00	April 30.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, -	\$18,577 51
	To balance remaining on hand, carried to the credit of the U. States in my next monthly re- turn, - - -	10,734 52	May 31.	By amount received from indivi- duals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - -	896 08
				By amount received from indivi- duals for land sold during the present month, - -	1,260 93
		<u>\$20,734 52</u>			<u>\$20,734 52</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, August 6, 1827.*

THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

The *United States*, in account current with *Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)*
 Dr. June, 1827. Cr.

1827. June 30.	To amount of bill of exchange drawn by Z. C. Palmer, Capt. 6th infantry, - - -	\$5 25	1827. May 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, -	\$10,734 52
	To amount of Register's salary and commission for the quarter ending this day, - - -	239 87		By amount received from individuals, per land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - -	5,262 47
	To amount of incidental expenses of Register's office, per receipt, - - -	13 12		By amount received from individuals, for land sold during the present month, - - -	2,102 96
	To amount of my salary and commission for the quarter ending this day, - - -	280 43			
	To amount of incidental expenses of Receiver's office, per receipt, - - -	6 50			
	To amount refunded to individuals for land improperly sold, per vouchers No. 1, 2, 3, & 4, - - -	419 96			
	Balance remaining on hand, carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return, - - -	17,134 82			
		<u>\$18,099 95</u>			<u>\$18,099 95</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, MISSOURI, *Receiver's Office, August 6, 1827.*

THOMAS A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
July, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827. July 31.	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next monthly return, - - -	\$59,964 84	1827. June 30.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, - -	\$18,099 95
			July 31.	By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - -	3,589 16
				By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold during the present month, - - -	38,275 73
		\$59,964 84			\$59,964 84

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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office, August 1, 1827.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
August, 1827.*

CR.

DR.

1827. Aug. 31.	To amount of exchange, drawn by J. B. Brant, A. Q. M. - To balance remaining on hand, and carried to the credit of the United States in my next re- turn, - - - - -	\$5,000 00 65,714 95 \$70,714 95	1827. July 31. Aug. 31.	By balance remaining on hand, per last monthly return, - - By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - - - By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold during the present month, - - - -	\$59,964 84 126 93 10,623 18 \$70,714 95
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LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office, September 1, 1827.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

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*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
September, 1827.*

Dr.

Cr.

1827.
Sept. 30.

To amount of exchange drawn by Capt. J. B. Brant, A. Q. M. -	\$5,000 00
To part of land warrant No. 2, granted George Shannon, -	200 00
To amount of Treasurer's receipt for payment made in Washing- ton, - - - - -	54 06
To amount of Register's salary, and commission for quarter end- ing this day, - - - - -	683 98
To Register's incidental expenses, To my salary and commission for this quarter, - - - - -	12 75
	242 75
To Register's commission on land relinquished, and discount al- lowed, under act of 4th May, 1826, - - - - -	125 26
To my commission for same, -	125 26
To amount paid Register for su- perintending public sales in July, 5 days, at 5 dollars per day, -	25 00
To my services for same, -	25 00
To paid H. L. Boon, clerk to public sales, No. 2, - - -	25 00

1827.
Sept. 1.

" 30.

By balance remaining on hand, per last return, - - - -	\$64,749 82
By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold during the present month, - - - -	2,810 78
By amount received from indi- viduals, for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820, - - - -	204 06

Account current for September—Continued.

Dr.			Cr.
To paid S. Brownjohn, crier at do. No. 3, - - - -	\$25 00		
To amount paid Col. J. Scott, per letter of Secretary of Treasury,	200 00		
To incidental expenses per vouch- ers No. 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, -	31 75		
To balance on hand, and carried to credit of the United States in my next return, - - - -	60,988 85		
	<u>\$67,764 66</u>		<u>\$67,764 66</u>

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N. B. In making the entry of "balance remaining on hand, per last return," in the July account current, there was an error of \$965 13. Instead of \$18,099 95, it should be \$17,134 82, as you will see by reference to the account of June last. The accounts for July and August are therefore wrong, which you will please correct.

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, October 1st, 1827.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
October, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827.			1827.		
Oct. 31.	To amount of exchange drawn by J. B. Brant, A. Q. M.	\$5000 00	Oct. 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return, - -	\$60,988 88
	To amount of exchange drawn by Maj. Thomas Biddle	10,400 00	" 31.	By amount received from indi- viduals for land sold during the present month, - -	3,557 13
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit of United States in my next return	49,145 98			
		<u>\$64,545 98</u>			<u>\$64,545 98</u>

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, Mo. *Receiver's Office, November 1, 1827.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver.*

*The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
November, 1827.*

Dr.			Cr.		
1827.			1827.		
Nov. 30.	To amount paid J. Simpson, per order Com. Gen. Land Office	\$90 00	Nov. 1.	By balance remaining on hand, per last return	\$49,145 98
	To amount of exchange drawn by John Lathrope -	92 32	Nov. 30.	By amount received from individuals for land sold prior to 1st July, 1820,	471 36
	To balance remaining on hand, and carried to credit U. S. in my next monthly acc't current,	54,926 15		By amount received from individuals for land sold during the present month,	5,491 13
		<u>\$55,108 47</u>			<u>\$55,108 47</u>

N. B. The balance remaining on hand, as above stated, and to be credited to the United States in my next, is merely nominal; the sum of forty-nine thousand one hundred and forty-five dollars and ninety-eight cents being sent to deposite at New Orleans, and, of course, will be credited to the United States only until a certificate of deposite arrives.

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, *Receiver's Office, December 1, 1827.*

T. A. SMITH, *Receiver*

The United States, in account current with Thomas A. Smith, Receiver of Public Moneys at Franklin, (Mo.)
 December, 1827.

DR.		December, 1827.		CR.	
1827. Dec. 31.	To amount of exchange drawn by Maj. Thos. Biddle, paymaster To amount refunded to William Becknell for land erroneously sold - - - - - To amount paid for clerk hire, in bringing up the books of this office, under act of 2d March, 1821 - - - - - To amount paid Register for sala- ry and commission for the quarter ending this day - To my salary and commission for same quarter - - - - - To amount of Register's inciden- tal expenses - - - - - To amount of my incidental ex- penses - - - - - To amount deposited in the bank at New Orleans, to the credit of the United States - - -	\$14,005 19 95 94 1,454 25 270 80 904 68 78 50 16 00 46,436 28 \$63,261 64	1827. Dec. 1.	By balance of cash remaining on hand, per last monthly return To amount received from indivi- duals for lands sold during the month - - - - - To balance due Receiver of Pub- lic Moneys, and carried to the debit of the United States in my next monthly account cur- rent - - - - -	\$54,926 15 5,156 83 3,178 66 \$63,261 64

LAND OFFICE AT FRANKLIN, (Mo.) Receiver's Office, December 31, 1827.

T. A. SMITH, Receiver.

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Extract from a letter from Thomas A. Smith, Receiver at Franklin, to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, dated 22d February, 1828.

It will appear from my account current for the 4th quarter of 1827, that I am in advance to the Government, \$3,178 $\frac{66}{100}$. Owing to the absence of Mr. Knox, I have not been able to include in that quarterly account the sums necessarily expended in sending the money to bank, and vouchers to prove the loss of one box of specie stolen from the clerk's room in the steam-boat after her arrival at New Orleans, and before the money could be deposited in bank. For this loss it has not been my intention to claim a credit, as I have ordered suit to be brought against the owners of the boat, and have no doubt but that the money will be recovered. If I could have embraced the above items in my accounts for December last, it would have shown a balance in my favor of upwards of \$5000. My being in advance to the Government was entirely accidental, and owing to the circumstance of Mr. Rush having directed me to purchase Maj. Biddle's bills for \$22,800, before he received my communication of the 3d of November, advising him of my having sent the money to bank. To prevent any inconvenience to the public, as Maj. Biddle wished the money to make a payment to the troops, I did, on the 31st of December, turn over to his agent every dollar of the public money in my possession, and such private funds as I had at command. The charge for clerk hire under the law authorizing relinquishments, never having been exhibited, I included the charge in my quarterly accounts.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *June 18th, 1818.*

SIR: The extent of the sales of public lands which are intended to be offered at public auction during the present and succeeding year, in the Missouri Territory, compared with the amount of bills of the United States' bank, and of the Bank of Missouri, in circulation in that Territory, forbids the expectation that the purchasers will be able to make payment in them or in specie.

The public interest, therefore, requires that the bills of other banks should be received by the government in payment of the public lands. You are, therefore, authorized to receive in payment the bills of the banks, the list whereof is herein enclosed.

You will, at the end of each month, deposit the whole of the money received during the month, in the bank of Missouri, to the credit of the United States' bank, for the use of the United States, for which

duplicate receipts will be executed by the bank. One of the receipts must be transmitted with the monthly account in which it is credited.

Should the bank of Missouri refuse to receive, as cash, the bills which you are authorized to take in payment of the public lands, you will make a special deposite of it, and transmit a list of the bills so deposited to this Department, with your monthly account. A strict regard to punctuality in complying with this instruction, is confidently expected. The President calculates upon your zeal in securing to the government, in the approaching sales, the full benefit of a fair competition among the purchasers.

All combinations or associations, intended to repress or lessen that competition, should be discountenanced, and, if practicable, prevented by the officers of the government, and especially by the Receiver and Register of the Land Offices.

I am, &c.

THOMAS A. SMITH, Esq.

B.

Circular to the several Receivers of Public Money.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, 1st October, 1825.

SIR: It is thought proper by this Department, to direct that no bank note, of a less amount than five dollars, be received in payment for public land.

But as some inconvenience might result to individuals, by carrying this regulation into immediate effect, you will, on the receipt of this letter, give notice in one or more of the newspapers in your district, that after the expiration of one month, from the date of the notice, no such bank note will be received by you. After that time, the regulation must be strictly enforced.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

RICHARD RUSH.

C.

Circular to the several Receivers of Public Moneys.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, 31st May, 1826.

SIR: By the first section of an act of Congress, approved by the President on the 22d instant, a copy of which is annexed, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to allow to the Receivers of Public Money

a reasonable compensation for transporting to, and depositing such moneys in, the banks designated by him for that purpose, to be regulated according to the actual labor, expense, and risk of such transportation and deposit, to the place of deposit, and returning therefrom.

As to the mode in which these moneys may, in each case, be most safely and economically deposited, the Department has not, at present, sufficient information upon which to found special instructions. In the first instance, therefore, recourse must be had, in a great degree, to the discretion of the several Receivers. I have, accordingly, to request that the transportation and deposit may be made by the receivers, agreeably to the tenor of the instructions of the 22d of February last, in such manner as, in their judgment, may be most convenient and economical; having regard to the safety of the money, which is in all cases at the risk of the Receivers until actually deposited to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States. Of the expenses incurred in such transportation and deposit, an exact account must be kept by the Receivers, and transmitted quarterly to the Department, with the vouchers; and if it be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, the amount will be allowed and passed to their credit by the accounting officers. It is to be distinctly understood, however, that the Secretary reserves to himself all the authority vested in him by the law, of determining, when these accounts are presented, how far the compensation claimed is reasonable.

As the Receivers will generally be able, by their past experience, to estimate the labor, expense, and risk of making the deposits, and as it would facilitate the settlement of their accounts for compensation for that service, if a rate per centum could be fixed and agreed upon between the several Receivers and this Department, each Receiver is requested to state, for consideration, the per centage upon the amount hereafter to be deposited, which he would be willing to receive as a compensation for that service. The deposits to be made conformably to the instructions of the 22d of February last.

By the 2d section of the act, it will be seen that the Secretary is authorized, in his discretion, to make a like compensation for similar services rendered by the Receivers since the act of the 20th of April, 1818. The Receivers are hence requested to exhibit an account, showing the amount deposited by them in each bank, and stating the rate of an allowance per centum on such amount, as will, in their opinion, be a reasonable compensation for the service. Vouchers must accompany these accounts in every instance where practicable. The Secretary will then decide upon the amount to be allowed.

No allowance will be made, under either section of the act, to any Receiver whose office is in the same place as the bank of deposit, or where it is so near that the deposit can be made without actual labor, expense, and risk.

In the execution of this act, it will not be more the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to see that the strictest economy be observed, than it will be for the interest of the Receivers to take care that no motive may be found, in the magnitude of the expense, to induce Con-

gress to recall a measure which its liberality has adopted solely for the relief of the Receivers.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

[Signed]

RICHARD RUSH.

D.

Circular to the Receivers of Public Moneys.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

February 22d, 1826.

SIR: In addition to specie, and the bills of the Bank of the United States and its branches, which are receivable in all payments to the United States, the moneys receivable for public lands are as follows:

1st. In the Land Offices in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Michigan, the notes of the incorporated banks in Boston, City of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, District of Columbia, Richmond, and the State or Territory in which the Land Office is situated.

2d. In the Land Offices in Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana, the notes of the incorporated banks in Boston, City of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, District of Columbia, Richmond, New Orleans, and the State or Territory in which the Land Office is situated.

3d. In the Land Offices in Alabama and Florida, the notes of the incorporated banks in Boston, City of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, District of Columbia, Richmond, South Carolina, Georgia, New Orleans, and the State or Territory in which the Land Office is situated.

But this permission to receive the notes of local or State banks, is only to be in force, provided those State banks pay specie for their notes on demand, and are otherwise in good credit.

For the information of purchasers of public lands, each Receiver will publish, in one newspaper in his district, a list of the description of funds which he is hereby authorized to receive; and he will give notice, in like manner, of any change which may occasionally take place. But in all such publications he will state, that, although for the accommodation of purchasers, the local or State bank notes therein enumerated, are at present receivable, it is desirable that payments be made in specie, or the notes of the Bank of the United States or its branches; and that, as the receipt of any of the local or State bank notes may be discontinued at any time without previous notice, it will be well for those who have payments to make, to provide themselves with specie or notes of the United States' Bank or its branches, to guard against any change that may be found proper in regard to the notes of local or State banks.

No bank note of a less amount than five dollars is to be received, nor any that is not payable on demand.

So long as the notes of local or State banks are receivable, the Receivers will note on each receipt for moneys received or paid by them, including their own and the Register's compensation, the amount embraced in such receipt of each of the above description of funds, viz.: specie, \$—; Bank of the United States and branches, \$—; Boston banks, \$—; and so on. If this endorsement be found impracticable during any public sale, it may, for that time, be dispensed with. The Receivers will accompany each monthly return rendered to this Department with a separate statement or list, showing the aggregate amount received and paid by them during the month, in each description of funds, and the balance of each on hand.

The Receivers will make their deposits in the following banks, viz.:

1st. Those in Michigan, in the office of the Bank of the United States at New York.

2d. Those in Ohio, in the office of the Bank of the United States at Cincinnati.

3d. Those in Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Arkansas, in the offices of the Bank of the United States at Louisville or New Orleans.

4th. Those in Mississippi, in the State bank of Mississippi at Natchez, or in the office of the Bank of the United States at New Orleans.

5th. Those in Louisiana, in the office of the Bank of the United States at New Orleans.

6th. Those in Alabama and Florida, in the bank of Tombeckbe, at St. Stephens; the bank of Mobile, at Mobile; or in the office of the Bank of the United States at New Orleans.

The Receivers are also at liberty to make deposits in the Bank of the United States, or any of its offices which they may find convenient, other than those heretofore designated, provided the funds so deposited be entered to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, by the bank or office, unconditionally, as cash.

To facilitate the collection of the notes of the local or State banks, the Receiver will, on making a deposit, give notice in writing, by the mail or otherwise, to each of those banks in the State or Territory in which the Land Office is situated, of the amount of its notes contained in such deposit; and, if he is informed by the cashier of the bank in which he makes his deposits, that the notes of any such bank have not been paid on demand, he will cease to receive the notes of such bank. It may be proper for the Receiver, where it has not already been done, to take the first occasion to intimate, in respectful terms, to each of the local or State banks of his State or Territory, whose notes he may receive, the consequence that will result from a want of punctuality in paying its notes on presentation.

The Receivers will also cease to receive any local or State bank notes, that the bank in which they are instructed to make their deposits may refuse to receive as cash; or which, in the exercise of a sound discretion, the Receivers may not think it prudent to receive: but,

in either of these cases, they will give immediate information of their proceedings to this Department. They will also give early notice to other Receivers by whom such notes are receivable.

It is desirable that the deposits should be made by Receivers at the close of each month, or as early as may be thereafter; and that they should include all the public moneys which may then be in their possession, after reserving enough to pay their own and the Register's salaries, and the authorized expenses of their offices. If, however, the amount on hand at the end of each month should not exceed ten thousand dollars, it may be retained until the succeeding month; but, under no circumstances should it be retained so as to contravene the act of the 10th of May, 1800; which requires that the money received by the Receivers shall be transmitted within three months to the Treasurer of the United States; as they will, thereby, render themselves and their sureties liable under their official bonds.

They will take duplicate receipts for each deposit which they may make; one of which should be transmitted with their monthly return to this Department, and the other with their quarterly account.

It is not intended, however, to discontinue the practice which has heretofore existed, of authorizing those Receivers who are distant from the places of deposit, to purchase and remit bills which are authorized to be drawn upon the Treasurer of the United States; on the contrary, whenever the moneys in their hands can be applied in that manner, instructions will be given for that purpose; but no bill must be purchased without a special instruction from this Department. That this practice may be pursued whenever it may be desirable, those Receivers are requested to inform this Department, from time to time, of those officers and others who have money to receive from the Government, and to whom it may be conveniently paid in that manner.

This instruction is intended to supersede those that have heretofore been given on the subjects embraced in it.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

[Signed]

RICHARD RUSH.

E.

Circular to the Receivers of Public Moneys, supplementary to that of the 22d February, 1826.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

August 22d, 1827.

SIR: It has been found advisable, for various considerations, so far to carry into effect an intimation given in my instruction of the 22d February, 1826, as to discontinue the receipt, at any Land Office, of the notes of any local or State Bank not established or existing in the

State or Territory where the Land Office is situated. But, that those who intend to purchase public land may have ample time to prepare for this change, it will not go into operation until the 1st of January, 1828.

On the receipt of this instruction, the Receivers of Public Money will give the necessary notice in one of the newspapers in their districts, and will continue it once a week until the change takes place. The notice should be accompanied with the caution mentioned in the instruction before referred to, that purchasers of public lands may provide themselves with specie or notes of the Bank of the United States or its branches.

In continuing to receive the notes of Banks in the State or Territory in which their Land Office is situated, the Receivers will conform particularly to the instruction already mentioned, in guarding against the receipt of the notes of any banks that do not pay in specie on demand, or that are not in undoubted good credit: and, as the Receivers have means, which this Department, from its remoteness, has not, of judging of the character and condition of the banks in their State or Territory, full confidence is entertained that they will use all necessary vigilance in preventing the receipt of any notes by which loss may happen to the United States.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

[Signed]

RICHARD RUSH.

F.

*Letters addressed to Thomas A. Smith, Esq. Receiver at Franklin,
directing him to purchase drafts on the Treasury.*

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, ———.*

SIR: You are authorized and requested to purchase the bills of ———,† upon the Treasurer of the United States, for \$ ———,‡ on account of a warrant issued in his favor. The bills, so purchased, are to be sent by you to this Department, as a remittance of so much of the public moneys in your hands as Receiver, and are to be charged by you in your account with the United States.

Blank bills, in triplicate, of the form annexed, have been furnished to the person by whom they are to be drawn. When they are drawn, you will endorse them over to the Treasurer of the United States, and transmit one to this Department immediately, by mail. Another is to accompany your monthly return, and the third your quarterly account, in which it will be charged. The endorsement to the Treasurer should bear date on the day on which the bills are charged by you to the United States:

I am, &c.

RICHARD RUSH.

T. A. SMITH, Esq.

Receiver Public Moneys, Franklin, Missouri.

NOTE.—The above form of a letter, addressed to T. A. Smith, Receiver, &c. has been sent to him under the following dates, the blanks having been filled up in the following manner, viz:

* DATE OF LETTER.	† IN WHOSE FAVOR DRAWN.	‡ AMOUNT.
22d October, 1824, -	William Clarke, Acting Surveyor, &c. - - -	\$16,000 00
12th May, 1825, -	Capt. J. B. Brant, Assistant Quartermaster -	3,000 00
Do. -	Gen. Wm. Clarke, Superintendent of Indian Affairs - - -	2,748 00
10th June, 1825, -	Lieut. Martin Thomas, Assistant Commissary of Subsistence - - -	100 00
23d July, 1825, -	Lieut. Z. C. Palmer, do. -	51 00
29th July, 1825, -	Do. do. -	8 00
25th August, 1825, -	Do. do. -	1,000 00
26th August, 1825, -	Do. do. -	8 00
2d September, 1825, -	Wm. McRee, Surveyor General - - -	8,000 00
31st October, 1825, -	Gen. Wm. Clarke, Superintendent Indian Affairs - - -	8,000 00
9th November, 1825, -	Dr. H. Lane - - -	102 00
28th November, 1825, -	James McCurd - - -	132 09
30th March, 1826, -	Lieut. J. B. Clark, Assistant Commissary of Subsistence - - -	6,000 00
18th May, 1826, -	Lieut. Z. C. Palmer, do -	24 00
12th September, 1826	Lieut. Martin Thomas, Superintendent U. S. Lead Mines - - -	2,120 00
24th November, 1826, -	A. Wetmore, Paymaster - - -	16,900 00
25th November, 1826, -	Capt. J. B. Brant, Assistant Quartermaster -	20,000 00
15th December, 1826, -	Lieut. Z. C. Palmer, Assistant Commissary of Subsistence - - -	5 25
7th April, 1827, -	Lieut. R. Holmes, do -	5,000 00
30th April, 1827, -	Capt. J. B. Brant, Assistant Quartermaster -	10,000 00
5th July, 1827, -	Do do -	5,000 00
30th August, 1827, -	Do do -	5,000 00
14th September, 1827, -	Do do -	5,000 00
29th September, 1827, -	Major T. Biddle, Paymaster - - -	10,400 00
15th October, 1827, -	John Lathrope - - -	92 32
12th November, 1827, -	Major T. Biddle, Paymaster - - -	22,800 00

